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## THE JUDGE WHO BROKE LOOSE.

## An Old-Time Game of Straight Poker on a Mississippi River Steamboat.

\*Beats all how folks act when they get away I'm home," said Caleb Mix, the veteran barkeeper on the Mississippi River packet City of Natchez. "I mean," he continued, as he industriously polished a glass that already shone like a diamond. I mean folks that has to keep too straight for comfort when they stay among their own people, but has spice o' the devil in 'em, an' breaks loose once in a while, just for their

Pearslike they just has to blow off steam once in so often, or else bust like a boat's biler. Stands to reason that a man had oughter blow himself once in a while, too,

Tve seed the cap'n of a boat that was cort o' hurryin' up a little when some other boat was alongside make a nigger sit on the safety valve while the rousters was carryin' in a deck load o' hams into the boiler room. An' I've saw how disastrous consequences was dodged by lettin' the nigger off once in a while when the gauge was plumb full to the top.

"An' similar, I reokon a man must be a fool to run under pressure all the time, with a buil family o' grown up sons an' daughters, maybe, a settin' on his safety valve an' etoppin' up all the steam that's chokin' up his pipes, an' strainin' his moral nature dangerous near the bustin' point. If he's got hom sense he'll blow off now and again, an' just naturally he'll get away from home to do it.

These here Masissippi boats is a merciful dispensation o' Providence in that there particular. Tain't no ways disceputable for a man what feels like he'd been keyed up too tight for too long, for to get on a boot that's going up or down the river, pervidin' he has some business that calls for him "tendin" to it hisself, 'stead o' writin' to bis lawyer.

"An' opce he's on board an' the boat's started, he can blow hisself to his heart's content. There ain't no wireless telegraphy on these boats, an' there sin't no way o' reachin' him till the boat gets to the next

'An' more'n that there ain't no very strict blue laws a-governin' the passengers what has money enough to pay their bills. If he wants anything to drink all he's got to do is to say so, an' if he's fend of draw poker tain't likely he's goin' to find much trouble to get somebody to play with

"I've heard men say 'twas just like steppin' out doors f'm a house on/fire, to step onto one o 'these boats just ons they was pullin' in the plank

"O' course, 'tain't nothin' now to what 'twas years ago. The boats ain't nothin' like what they was, an' folks don't travel

reputation as a high-toned, strictly moral gentleman of the very best standing.

"An' I reckon that was right in Helena. But, as I was saym, he dain't keep his safety valve nailed down all the time.

"I'll never forget the last trip be made. with us. He come aboard just about sun-down, an' took supper on the boat just

down, an' took supper on the boat just after we started.

"They said he never drank, none when he were at home, but he had two botties o' wine with his supper that night, an' he were drinkin' brandy smashes the most o' the time after that till he went to his stateroom. An' the queer thing about it was that he didn't get drunk.

"You'd think, never drinkin' nothin' no other time, he'd get blind drinkin' so much when he was out, but I never seen him what you'd call intoxicated. On'y the liquor'd

you'd call intoxicated. On'y the liquor'd seem to make him wild like, is o's' the do the strangest things you o'd think of. "What's the use o' drinkin, I heard him say once, if you do the same things when you drink, that you do when you don't drink?

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gambler on the river at the time, an' a tiger cat in a fight. Ed Mackey, his name was, an' he were a Vicksburg man.

"Then there was a man that had been a Methodist preacher till somebody died an' left him a plantation full o' niggers down in Louisiana somewhere. Since then, he'd been blowin' off steam all the time.

"Peared like he'd been under pressure so long 't he'd never get even. An' there were a St Louis lawyer that were settlin' upa million-dollar estate an' hadn't no time for any other business. An' there was the Judge, an' one other man they said was a cotton factor f'rm New Orleans.

"They was all big handsome men, an' dressed to kill. If they hadn't had money to throw to the fishes they couldn't have set into no such game as that was.

It was 'the 'on', 'gain' i ever seen that was played with ten-dollar gold pieces

was played with ten-sollar gold pieces for white chips. Everybody at the table had a pocketful of gold, an tens was the

had a pocketful of gold, an' tens was the smallest they used.

'There was a good many twenties on the table an' a few o' them big fifty-dollar six-sided things you used to see befo' the wah. Slugs, they used to call 'em, an' they was the puttiest coins that ever come out of any mint.

'O' course, when it come to bettin' big money they used bank bills, an' I never seen so many fifties an' hundreds in reel circulation to once as there was that night on the Prairie Belle. O' course chips would ha' been easier than paper money to handle, but somehow, the lock o' the money itself on the table made the game seem more actual like.

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"Then they was playin' a game that'd seem mighty cur'ous now. It were poker, but twa'n't draw poker.

"Them days the draw were a new-fangled thing an straight poker were played more. I reckon, or full as much as draw poker. Tain't so scientific as draw poker, o' course, an' you don't see nobody play it nowadays, but it's a ferocious game for gamblin.

"I don't know but is sworse for bluffin' than draw poker is, but there's a heap more idle play in it. That is, there's a heap more deals without any play, for, o' course, there ain't no lackpots into it.

"The way they played it then was for the age man to put up his ante, same as

The way they played it then was for the age man to put up his ante, same as they do now. Then, after the cards was dealt, if the next man wanted to be the put up the same amount as the ante, or more if he liked, for, o' course, whenever it were a man's time to bet he could bet all he wanted to, for they didn't play no limit correspond that their.

wanted to, for they didn't play no limit game, not that night.

But if the first man to say didn't choose to put up, he could pass, an' so could any o' the others, as long as there hadn't been no bet made. But he didn't throw down his cards till it come to him again.

'Then, if somebody had made a bet, he could make good or lay down, but, of course, if he bet, he'd have to bet as much as anybody else had put up, an' he could raise at the same time. If it come around to the age man, an' there had been any bets made, he had to make good to the level of the largest bet. "If nobody had bet anything more than

the ante, he could raise, but if nobody had put up nothin' the deal was closed. Then everybody put up the same as the ante man had, and the cards was dealt again. Then, in that deal the dealer had the last say, because there wouldn't be no more ante man in. "There was different ways o' playin

poker then, same as there is o' plavin' draw poker now, but that was the way they played it on the Prairie Belle, as nigh as I can retreember it. It must be thirty-five year since I've seen anybody play straight Well, just naturally there wa'n't many

that was bet on. Is astways it would seem funny now to anybody that was used to playin' draw, for o' course there wan't no chance to better, an a player'd al'ays tigger some on the chanst that the other man were bluffin', so he'd take chances his own self that'd kill a man dead in oraw tooker.

to see that the call meant a pretty strong hand, where another raise might have been a bluff, an' he laid down, so that the Judge secoped over four-seen thousand in the pot with near nine thousand winnin s.

"O'gourse, it were monstrous high play, but it were regular as a clock an' the dealer had been hit hard, so there wasn't nothin' to say. More'n that, Mackey, he'd got off casy, so there wa'n't no call for him to say nothin', but he peared to be sore, an' right then he made a masty break.

"Pears like you know how to work your cards when you get em' he says, an' the Judge looks at him very sharp. a Terror Treatment of Naucy Hanks The Abbot, Maud S. and Other Stars.

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"Twa n't what he said, but the way he said it was an insult, an' no manner of insult would go them days. Men would fight quicker'n a flash if anybody looked areas eyed at sun.

"The Judge never said nothin', but as I said, he looked at Mackey mighty sharp an seen he washort o' sneerin', an' without a word he picked up a wine glass that was settin' along side of him haif full o' changpagne an' threw it square in Mackey's lace.

How many persons who drive fast trotters to-slay have ever broken a colt to harness?

And yet we often hear setne prominent readire referred to as a "perfect horse-man".

It is easy to sit on a Grand Circuit grand stand on race days and watch the horses race out their allotted best three in five," there is another side to the picture seen only at the stock farm years before when the 240 trotter who slips past with a grand,

"If Mackey'd been a gentleman, like you'd ha' took him to be f'm his looks an' his talk there'd ha' been a challenge, an' the two would ha' gone ashore somewhere an' had it out in regular fashion. That's the way them things was done then." But there were a veller streak in him.

"But naturally he wa'n't no match for a man with a knife that knowed how to use it as well as Mackey did, at, he were cut to pieces afore we could pull em apart. In fact, we didn't pull em apart for when the Judge seen he were done for the heoland his left arm around Mackey, at, pullin his derringer with his right hand, he shot him pulling plungh the heart an, they died him plumb through the heart an' they died together on the floor.

"It were a pretty hard end for as good a man as the Judge were, but men fought for trifles them days, an' when they did fight they meant business."

RUNNING FAST TRAINS. A Talk With an Engineer Who Is Pamous

for the Speed He Makes. From the Indianapolis Journal. public seems to centre in fast time, and in answer to its demand all of the great rail-road lines are putting on flying trains. With-in the past two weeks this has been done by the Pennsylvania, the Lake Shore, the Valflyers on all of these roads is exceptionally fast, but the best time is probably made by the Big Four between here and Cincinnati, the big Four between here and Cincinnati, the road connecting these two points, as engineers agree, being one of the fibest stretches of track in the country. The train that makes this fast time comes into like what they was, an' folks don't travel
'em like they did.

"Befo't the wah, they was like first-class
hotels on paddie wheels, an' some o' the
biggest spenders on earth useter sail on 'em
for pleasure. Them was hot times.

"An' just naturally they was more of a
resort for men that was bloowin off steam,
like I was sayin', than they is now. An'
bein' on 'em constant, liked al' ars has been,
I come to know some on 'em quite intermate, so to speak. Someof 'em was hummers, too.

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BREAKING COLTS TO HARNESS day, Stamboul at the Stockton, Cal., kite day, Stamboul at the Stockton, Cal., kite track always going Kremlin a quarter of a second better in turn. There came a day when Kremlin reached 207%, then winter rains set in sending the bay horse home for the season. Stamboul's reply was 2-97% at Stockton and the East felt gloomy and hated to acknowledge the defeat. The case came before the National Tretting Association and Stamboul's record was 'rejected'.

Stamboul was a hard horse to balance, and Walter Mahen, who succeeded better with him than any other handler, rigged a "W" check-rein to keep his head where Stamboul's driver wanted it, and also was obliged to study various foot balances and besits to protect unusual points of contact. It is all well enough to say that "trotters are breed and tilde "yes "falter lines will tell to be bed to a little of corany inquirer that he had not a little of cor-recting to do before he succeeded with Stamboul. The writer has seen Stamboul

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yet there is another side to the picture seen the 240 trotter who slips past with a grand, a sweeping, frictionless gait was an uncouth, awkward youngster fretting those having to do with him every time harnessed.

Singularly, but one of the latter-day of the poly a mederate education - always a naturally high-class trotter. It may be that Sunol, 2004, was always fast and required little of balancing once she left the coil breaker at Palo Alto, yet, her ever unruly disposition caused Charles Marvin many hours of worry. Creceus was not as fast at 2 as the California mare, yet, he, perhaps is the only turf champion that developed to high estate pleasantly. True he killed a boy when a youngster, but with his trotting that temporary viciousness has nothing that temporary viciousness has nothing that temporary viciousness has nothing to do. He raced to a record of 2111½ when but 3, gained in an eight-heat race that he won. Sunol when 2 lowered all records for the age, first to 2.20½, later to 2.18, and, until Arion's phenomenal mile in 2.10½. Its dail two-year-sold trotters.

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Cresceus went on at 4 and trotted in 2003, then had the misfortune to throw out a curb which lamed him until he was fired and theroughly rested. Never since has be been lame or atling. Sunol at 3 trotted in 2103, and repeated the achievement at 4 in which year she went wrong behind and to this day has favored one hind leg. It was there she broke down finally Directum was our greatest trotter in many ways and yet at 2 no trotter ever so worried the all-around horseman. Monroe Salisbury. He had no speed beyond a mile in the 250's and yet seemed "good gaited" enough to become sensationally fast. The veteran california champion maker finally introduced heroic measures and not afew times did Directum feel the blows of "the chain" at his box, until finally he saw that he note quicken his stride or a beating was incylinble.

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At 3 Directum trotted to a race record of 2 11½, similar to Crescens's; at 4 to the world's stallien record of the day 205½, then breaking down in the off ankle behind, was laid on the shelf a season. His star had set earlier in life than usual and to-day has ankles are almost parallel with the ground, so badly deformed is he.

Ex-Queen Namey Hamis leaked a veritable traiting machine when Build Dobbe exhalf her bere and there the years she was the reigning sensation, yet as a two-vear old flem Kentey had worrying experiences with her. She persisted in pacing and was not as steady at the gait as she cyclid have been, so to make her trot kenney worsed her over a plonghed both where the foesting was so deep she actually could have been completely mastered else the effort would have perhaps and that was the beginning of the brilliant chapter credited to the grant little bay mare in our turf history. Since retiring the law to place in a case of sulks.

In this day has been so to make her trot where the foesting was so deep she actually could have been completely mastered else the effort would have perhaps ended in a "case of sulks."

Few fast trotters have been "bad gaited" beyond 2 20 and there is where men like theory staken a trotting step it is skill. To date Geets has never driven a hoppied pacer, yet he shifted Wardwell.

decks. She brike down ferward, the early heavy weight carrying running her tendons, presumably.

Alix, 2 cork, the dead queen of trotters, was so unpromising early in life that the famous trainer. J B Chandler, considered her owner crazy to keep her in training. She did not his Chandler, and, although ever "sweet little Alix" with spectators later in life, Alix the real was a terror and a thern in the flesh as she would do anything but trot well for Chandler, it ever is aye she was not "good gaited," yet when the queen of the turf in McDowell's hands, no trotter ever strode truer or so completely enthused all interested in ex-

The Adden 2 not 2 by the farmous intuitier, Ed George, as he simply could not induce The Albest to go good-gained or fast emoght to success restring in the Grand Grent state. The Albest of success is a state of the Albest formed and freeded over the act of chinese and successive in balancing him by working him a variety of ways in the experimental stages. At 4 feers marked him at 21th, said serve to faces place the said through the control of this control of the control of 2 of a dark of the about 10 of the late where the food supply is good and the control of the late that the late



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HYDROSCOPEN FOR ANGLERS.

Fish Traits Revealed by an inspection of Them Under Water.

Knowliton, Quebec, July 5.—A useful implement in a fisherman's kit is a hydroscope There are very few anglers probably who, as they have waited with more or less patience for the fish to hite, have not longed to get a peep into the water just to see if there were any fish about or not.

Base especially congregate in certain localities where the food supply is good and there are rooks to pany around and as a rule remain there all day long. It is an immense convenience, therefore, for the base fisherman to be able to look down into the water and survey the prospect.

A simple means of surveying the bottom of the lake has been successfully tried here.

A rail with the bottom knocked out or a narrow bex open at both ends or furnished with a stout pane of glass at the end in the water has been found to answer fairly well.

Those who use the box or pail plan to get a good deal of tun out of it and learn unsuspected things sometimes, as when an angler saw a big bass deliberately drive away senaler fish from, and stand guard over his currefully latted book. Whether it was solicitude for the base's young control in the same fish from, and stand guard over his currefully latted book. Whether it was solicitude for the base's young control in the process of the particular control in the process of the process of the latter has been found to answer fairly well.

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